UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE

JAMES MCDONALD,

Plaintiff,

v.

ORDER REFERRING CASE TO MAGISTRATE JUDGE FOR SETTLEMENT PROCEEDINGS

Defendants.

This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. On December 3, 2010, plaintiff, proceeding *pro se*, filed a complaint and request for a restraining order to stop the non-judicial foreclosure on his home. A preliminary injunction was entered on January 25, 2011. The parties are currently engaged in discovery, and plaintiff has filed a motion to amend both the preliminary injunction order and the complaint.

A review of the file shows that this case may be appropriate for settlement proceedings conducted by a Magistrate Judge. This matter is therefore REFERRED to the Honorable James P. Donohue, United States Magistrate Judge, for the purpose of conducting settlement proceedings. Plaintiff's motion to amend the preliminary injunction order (Dkt. # 66) and his motion for leave to file an amended complaint (Dkt. # 67) are STRICKEN and will be renoted, if necessary, after the settlement proceedings are concluded.

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Dated this 7th day of July, 2011.

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Robert S. Lasnik

United States District Judge